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TO: EACH SUPERVISOR

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REQUEST TO PROCEED WITH CONTRACT RENEWAL NEGOTIATIONS WITH NORTHROP GRUMMAN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, INC.

This letter provides advance notification to your Board that the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County (District) intends to enter into negotiations with Northrop Grumman Information Technology, Inc. (Northrop Grumman) for the continuation of the system maintenance and specialized technical services for the District's 24/7 emergency response dispatching system (9-1-1 CAD).

Under the proposed contract, Northrop Grumman as the sole proprietor of the 9-1-1 CAD System will continue to provide the District with system maintenance and technical services to ensure an optimal operational environment. Additionally, the hardware and software will be migrated to Hewlett Packard's Integrity platform to extend the life of the current environment by five to seven years. The proposed contract term shall be for a period of five years. The District shall have the option to extend the contract term for an additional 12 months for a maximum contract term of six years. The option to extend the contract term for an additional 12 months will be at the sole discretion of the Fire Chief or his authorized designee.

The 9-1-1 CAD System is proprietary to Northrop Grumman, and Northrop Grumman warrants their products to perform at a specified level. Any modification to their software by persons/entities other than their staff or designated subcontractors invalidates the warranty and performance assurances stipulated in the maintenance agreement. The specialized technical services are required to ensure continuous, uninterrupted 9-1-1 CAD operations, which directly impact the health and safety of County residents as well as firefighters and paramedics.

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Per the requirements for sole source contracts of \$250,000 or greater, the District will proceed with contract negotiations within two weeks unless otherwise instructed by your Board.

Should additional information be required, please contact me at (323) 881-2401.

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